

CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~1-15~~ where the plural-bit symbol signal is at least two bit data.
3. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~2-15~~ where the at least two bit data is a three level data.
4. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~3-15~~ where the three level data includes a first, second, and third levels.
5. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~2-15~~ where the at least two bit data is a four level data.
6. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~5-15~~ where the four level data includes a first, second, third, and fourth levels.
7. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~1-15~~ where the second clock is 90 degrees out of phase from the first clock.
8. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~1-15~~ where the fourth clock is 90 degrees out of phase from the third clock.
9. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~1-15~~ where the symbol signal comprises a plurality of symbols.
10. (Cancelled)
11. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~1-15~~ where the transmitter comprises:
a first transmitting circuit capable of generating a first transmitting signal by manipulating the first input signal responsive to the first clock;

a second transmitting circuit capable of generating a second transmitting signal by manipulating the second input signal responsive to the second clock; and
a superposition node capable of generating the symbol signal by super-positioning the first and second transmitting signals.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently amended) The semiconductor device of claim ~~12~~ 15
where the fifth clock is 180 degrees out of phase from the third clock; and
where the sixth clock is 180 degrees out of phase from the fourth clock.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) A The semiconductor device of claim ~~14~~ comprising:
a transmitter capable of encoding first and second input signals as a plural-bit symbol
signal responsive to first and second clocks, respectively, the first clock being out of phase
from the second clock; and

a receiver capable of generating first and second output signals by decoding the
symbol signal responsive to third and fourth clocks, respectively, and capable of generating
first and second even and odd data;

where the receiver comprises:

a first receiving circuit capable of generating the first output signal by
manipulating the symbol signal responsive to the third and a fifth clocks, the fifth clock being
out of phase from the third clock, the first receiving circuit being adapted to generate the first
even and odd data responsive to the third and fifth clocks, respectively; and

a second receiving circuit capable of generating the second output signal by
manipulating the symbol signal responsive to the fourth and a sixth clocks, the sixth clock
being out of phase from the fourth clock, the second receiving circuit being adapted to
generate the second even and odd data responsive to the fourth and sixth clocks, respectively;
and

where the first receiving circuit comprises:

a first detector capable of generating the first even and odd data according to a
medium reference voltage;

a second detector capable of generating first select signal by detecting midlevel data according to high and low reference voltages; and

a multiplexer capable of selecting between the first even and the second odd data and the first odd and the second even data responsive to the select signal.

16. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The semiconductor device of claim 14 comprising:
a transmitter capable of encoding first and second input signals as a plural-bit symbol
signal responsive to first and second clocks, respectively, the first clock being out of phase
from the second clock; and

a receiver capable of generating first and second output signals by decoding the
symbol signal responsive to third and fourth clocks, respectively, and capable of generating
first and second even and odd data;

where the receiver comprises:

a first receiving circuit capable of generating the first output signal by
manipulating the symbol signal responsive to the third and a fifth clocks, the fifth clock being
out of phase from the third clock, the first receiving circuit being adapted to generate the first
even and odd data responsive to the third and fifth clocks, respectively; and

a second receiving circuit capable of generating the second output signal by
manipulating the symbol signal responsive to the fourth and a sixth clocks, the sixth clock
being out of phase from the fourth clock, the second receiving circuit being adapted to
generate the second even and odd data responsive to the fourth and sixth clocks, respectively;
and

where the second receiving circuit comprises:

a first detector capable of generating the second even and odd data according
to a medium reference voltage;

a second detector capable of generating a select signal by detecting midlevel
data according to high and low reference voltages; and

a multiplexer capable of selecting between the first and second even data and
the first and second odd data responsive to the select signal.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently amended) The device of claim 17-24 where the plural-bit symbol data is at least two bit data.

19. (Currently amended) The device of claim ~~17-24~~ where the at least two transmitting clocks are 90 degrees out of phase from each other.

20. (Currently amended) The device of claim ~~17-24~~ where the at least two receiving clocks are 90 degrees out of phase from each other.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently amended) The device of claim ~~17-24~~ where the transmitting means comprises:

first transmitting circuit means capable of generating a first transmitting signal by manipulating the input data responsive to one of the at least two transmitting clocks;

second transmitting circuit means capable of generating a second transmitting signal by manipulating the input data responsive to another of the at least two transmitting clocks;
and

superposition means capable of generating the symbol data by super-positioning the first and second transmitting signals.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Currently amended) A. The device of claim 23, comprising:
transmitting means capable of encoding input data as plural-bit symbol data
responsive to at least two transmitting clocks out of phase from each other; and
receiving means capable of generating output data and first and second even and odd
data by decoding the symbol data responsive to at least two receiving clocks;

where the receiving means comprises:

first receiving circuit means capable of generating first output data by
manipulating the symbol data responsive to one of the at least two receiving clocks; and

second receiving circuit means capable of generating second output data by
manipulating the symbol data responsive to another of the at least two receiving clocks;

where the first receiving circuit means comprises:

first detecting means capable of generating first pre even and pre odd data
according to a medium reference voltage;

second detecting means capable of generating the first odd and even select signals by detecting midlevel data according to high and low reference voltages; and

first multiplexing means capable of selecting between the first pre even and pre odd data and second even and odd data responsive to the first odd and even select signals, respectively.

25. (Original) The device of claim 24, further comprising:

first generating means generating first even and odd data responsive to one of the receiving clocks.

26. (Original) The device of claim 25 where the second receiving circuit means comprises:

third detecting means capable of generating second pre even and pre odd data according to the medium reference voltage;

fourth detecting means capable of generating second odd and even select signals by detecting midlevel data according to the high and low reference voltages; and

second multiplexing means capable of selecting between the second pre even and pre odd data and first even and odd data responsive to the second odd and even select signals, respectively.

27. (Original) The device of claim 26, further comprising:

second generating means generating second even and odd data responsive to the other of the receiving clocks.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Currently amended) The receiver of claim ~~28~~ 30

where the first receiver is capable of receiving the second even and odd data; and where the second receiver is capable of receiving the first even and odd data.

30. (Currently amended) A The receiver of claim 28, comprising:

a first receiving circuit capable of generating first output data and first even and odd data by manipulating symbol data responsive to a first and second clocks, the first output data

being single bit data, the symbol data being plural-bit data, the first receiving circuit being capable of receiving the second even and odd data; and

a second receiving circuit capable of generating second output data and second even and odd data by manipulating the symbol data responsive to a third and fourth clocks, the second output data being single bit data, the second receiving circuit being capable of receiving the first even and odd data;

where the second clock is out of phase from the first clock and the fourth clock is out of phase from the third clock; and

where the first receiving circuit comprises:

a first detector capable of generating first pre odd and pre even data responsive to a medium reference voltage;

a second detector capable of generating first odd and even select signals by detecting midlevel data responsive to high and low reference voltages; and

a multiplexer capable of selecting between the first pre even data and the second odd data responsive to the first even select signal and between the first pre odd data and the second even data responsive to the first odd select signal.

31. (Original) The receiver of claim 30

where the second detector is capable of operating responsive to a plurality of first and a plurality of second phase clocks derived from the first and second clocks, respectively, the first phase clocks having a different duty cycle than the first clocks and the second phase clocks having a different duty cycle than the second clocks.

32. (Original) The receiver of claim 30 where the second receiving circuit comprises:

a third detector capable of generating second pre odd and pre even data responsive to the medium reference voltage;

a fourth detector capable of generating second odd and even select signals by detecting midlevel data responsive to the high and low reference voltages; and

a multiplexer capable of selecting between the second pre even data and the first even data responsive to the second even select signal and between the second pre odd data and the first odd data responsive to the second odd select signal.

33. (Original) The receiver of claim 32
where the fourth detector is capable of operating responsive to a plurality of third and
a plurality of fourth phase clocks derived from the third and fourth clocks, respectively, the
third phase clocks having a different duty cycle than the third clocks and the fourth phase
clocks having a different duty cycle than the fourth clocks.

34. (Cancelled)

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Cancelled)